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### **Request Summary:**

EWG is requesting an electronic copy of all chemical contaminant data obtained in compliance and non-compliance testing of public water supplies in Wyoming from 2009 until most current. If you have any questions, please call me at (202) 939-9152 or email me at [jose@ewg.org](mailto:jose@ewg.org).

### **Request Details:**

#### **Data Required:**

- water system inventory information – including federal system identification, supplier name, supplier address, population served, location served, water supplier type (e.g. community or non-transient non-community), water source (e.g. surface or ground water), and names of water bodies used for intakes
- contaminant monitoring results for raw/source and finished water – including detections, non-detects and results below the level of detection. Each result record should include a sample identification, water supplier identification, sampling date, contaminant name, contaminant concentration, units, qualifiers, sampling location (e.g. well name or intake designator), type of water sampled (e.g. raw/source or finished), test method, and any other available sampling designator (e.g. distribution system or point of entry).

#### **Request Limits:**

Please include at least the following information. If it is easier to not limit the data dump, please do so to hasten the process.

- water suppliers – community, non-transient non-community, and transient non-community water suppliers
- time span – for 2009 until most current
- contaminants – regulated and unregulated chemical contaminants (including inorganics, organics, radionuclides, coliform, compliance testing programs, unregulated contaminant monitoring programs, and any other programs that have generated chemical test data for public water supplies)

#### **Data Format Requirements:**

- any non-proprietary format (e.g. ASCII delimited text or DBasefiles)

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## Justification for Copy

The Environmental Working Group (EWG) is a not-for-profit § 501(c)(3) organization engaged in the review of the government's implementation of its statutory mandates and the education of the public. EWG disseminates information to the public through its website and by publishing cutting-edge research reports about different environmental, health, safety, and consumer issues on the Internet. The requested data will be used to review national and state implementation of the Safe Drinking Water Act. Thus, EWG's request is consistent with the purposes of the Freedom of Information Act, especially the citizen's right to know "what the government is up to."

## Request for Fee Waiver

The FOIA provides that you may waive fees "if disclosure of the information is in the public interest because it is likely to contribute significantly to public understanding of the operations of the government" 5 U.S.C. Section 552(a)(4)(A)(iii). Furthermore, fee waivers are most likely to be warranted when, as here, the records requested are for a representative of a bona fide public interest group and there is current public interest in the subject matter to which the document pertains, and that furnishing of the information can be considered of benefit primarily to the public as opposed to the requester. This request clearly meets those requirements, and we therefore request that you waive all fees in connection to the request. If fees are not waived, please notify us and provide the basis for this decision.